Before the Harlem renaissance there was many people that wanted to know about music and be a musician. The Harlem Renaissance started when artists became heard of and their ideas were out. Musicians began to cultivate their music spreading their skills from the south to the north. During this expansion, there were many artists discovered such as Duke Ellington. For Duke Ellington, he was considered to have founded a foundation for the future black artists and the genre of their music.

During the Harlem renaissance music was composed of African Americans literature such as poems. With the enjoyment of this whites and blacks began to clash together in the music industry. Music such as jazz became an all time high for not only Harlem but over all the country. The piano is what started it all. Music from the blacks began to entertain the whites and they began to use some ideas in their music.

During the Harlem Renaissance, there were many great artists known such as Ella Fitzgerald and Langston Hughes. These two accomplish many things throughout their life. Ella accomplished many things during the Harlem Renaissance by winning 13 Grammy awards and was in honor of the chairmanship of the Martian Luther King foundation. While Langston Hughes accomplished being a literature phenomenon, he published his first work when he was 19 and he was given a medal for the achievement.